



**Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Association of Illinois
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 17, 2022
Peoria Civic Center, Peoria, Illinois**



1. **Call to Order** – President Christian called the meeting to order at 2:33 p.m. on October 17, 2022.

2. **Roll Call – (8 Voting Members* Needed for Quorum)**

<u>Members</u>	<u>Departments</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Departments</u>	<u>Present</u>
President John Christian*	Barrington	X	Affiliate Director Fred Friedl*	Beach Park	X
1 st Vice President Steve Evans*	Winfield	X	Active Director Tracy Kenny*	Broadview	
2 nd Vice President Andy Dina*	Warrenville	X	Active Director Paul Segalla*	Long Grove	X
Secretary Alan Wax*	Hoffman Estates		Active Director Gordy Nord*	Lyons	
Treasurer Tom Deegan*	Retired Chief	X	Active Director Steve Norvilas*	Pleasantview	X
Immed. Past Presid. Tom Styczynski*	Alsip	X	Retiree Director Dick Swanson*	Retired Chief	X
Sergeant-at-Arms Randy Deicke	Retired Chief		Active Director Tom Gaertner*	River Forest	X
Sergeant-at-Arms Jim Jackson	Retired Chief	X	Active Director Jim Walters*	Schaumburg	
Sergeant-at-Arms Mike Kuryla	Retired Chief	X			

Also Present: Kris Murphy, Administrative Assistant, Broadview Fire Department

President Christian declared there to be a quorum.

3. **Secretary’s Report**

A. Approval of meeting minutes of the September 21, 2022 Executive Board meeting

I. A motion to approve the September 21, 2022 minutes was made by Immed. Past President Styczynski and seconded by Director Gaertner.

a. The motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously (10-0) by voice vote.

4. **Treasurer’s Report – Treasurer Deegan**

A. Treasurer Deegan advised the Board members present that he will e-mail the Treasurer’s Report out to the Board members within the next few weeks. No report was presented.

5. **President’s Report – President Christian**

A. President Christian noted that we will be returning to Aurelio’s Pizza, 1455 West Lake, Addison for our November Executive Board Meeting. Treasurer Deegan will contact Aurelio’s Pizza to make the necessary arrangements. President Christian noted that this has been a good Conference and it was good to see strong support from the members of the Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Executive Board.

6. **Committee Reports**

A. **Bylaws** – Chairperson Kuryla had no report.

B. **Directory/Website** – Committee Chairperson Deicke was not in attendance. There was no report.

C. **Fundraising** – Treasurer Deegan and Chairperson Swanson reported that the IFCA Foundation golf outing made approximately \$25,000.00 this year. The Committee is working on dates for this fall’s Clay Pigeon Shoot at the Gun Club located in the Frankfort/Monee area. Dates/times are available. A flyer was included with your IFCA Annual Conference packet.

D. **IFCA/Legislation** –Chairperson Styczynski indicated he attended a Legislation meeting just prior to the Executive Board. At this time there is little to report, but the Committee will stay on top of events following the General Election on Tuesday, November 8, 2022. There will be a veto session and lame-duck session. The Board Members present congratulated Chief Styczynski on his election to the position of First Vice President of the Illinois Fire Chiefs Association’s Board of Directors.

E. **Symposium** – Co-Chairperson Evans reported that it is early into the process for the next Symposium, but the committee is working on program ideas.

F. **Nominating** – Chairperson Friedl indicated that the 2023 Slate of Officers is as follows: President – Chief Steve Evans, Winfield FPD , 1st Vice President – Chief Andrew Dina, Warrenville FPD, 2nd Vice President – Chief Alan Wax, Hoffman Estates FD, Secretary- Chief Thomas D. Gaertner, River Forest FD, Past President – Chief John

Christian, Barrington FD. The 2023 Slate of Officers was presented and approved at the General Meeting on September 1, 2022, the Election will take place at the November 3, 2022 General Meeting.

G. Programs – Chairperson Styczynski advised the Board members present that Fire Chief Richard Mikel will provide an IFCA update at the November 2022 General Business Meeting. A projector and screen will be needed.

H. Annual Banquet – Kris Murphy, Administrative Assistant provided a report on behalf of Co-Chairperson Kenny. RSVP's and payments are already coming in. Next year this is only going to be electronic, people are responding four (4) different ways and it is just not efficient. Some pay but do not respond with food choice, some respond then pay for more than they responded for so this is way more work than it should be. I think people know and expect this event around the same time every year. We will be providing table cards that state "next year will be by email and through the website" only. The Table Gifts are ordered. The company could not use the logo Chief Wax sent it was not in the right format, so we went with their original mockup. Ill forward that to you. The Table Poinsettias are ordered 45 total. The psychics, one passed away and the other has Alzheimer's. Kris has found one replacement; we are on a hunt for another one. Following further discussion, on a motion by Immed.Past resident Styczynski, seconded by Director Segalla to approve the expenditure of funds for a second Psychic for the Annual Banquet. The motion to approve passed unanimously (10-0) by voice vote. I would ask that the Executive Board members be present for set-up no later than 8:30. Co-Chairperson Friedl reported that all the Vendor letters have been mailed and the letter of request is also posted on our Website. The Installation program is completed, Director Friedl will print and have available. Director Kenny will be in contact with the Addison Fire Chief regarding overflow parking and shuttle service. The Executive Board requested that tables again be reserved for Executive Board members and their attending guests. Administrative Assistant Murphy indicted this could be done if each Board member would please advise her as soon as possible of the Department and number attending.

I. Sick & Welfare – Chief William Brehm, Franklin Park Fire Department will be retiring at the end of October, 2022.

J. Metro Chiefs Association History – Chairperson Swanson advised that there was nothing to report.

7. **Unfinished Business** – There was no unfinished business to report.

8. **New Business** – There was no new business to report.

9. **Open Discussion** – There was no open discussion.

10. **Future Meetings**

A. Executive Board: Wednesday November 16, 2022 at 11:30 a.m. – Aurelio's Pizza, 1455 West Lake in Addison

B. Regular Membership: Thursday November 3, 2022 at 11:30 a.m. – Empress Banquet Hall, 200 E. Lake St in Addison

11. **Adjournment**

A. A motion to adjourn was made by 2nd Vice President Dina and seconded by Director Norvilas.

The motion to adjourn passed unanimously (10-0) by voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Fred N. Friedl III